

*Progress Towards the First Measurement
of Direct CP-Violation in $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ Decays
From First Principles*

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$K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ Decays

- Direct CP-violation first observed in $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ decays.
- Two types of decay (Bose statistics forbids $I=1$):

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta I = 3/2 & : K^+ \rightarrow (\pi^+ \pi^0)_{I=2} \quad \text{with amplitude } A_2 \\ \Delta I = 1/2 & : K^0 \rightarrow (\pi^+ \pi^-)_{I=0} \quad \text{with amplitude } A_0 \\ & \quad K^0 \rightarrow (\pi^0 \pi^0)_{I=0} \end{aligned}$$

- Direct CP-violation: $\epsilon' = \frac{i\omega e^{i(\delta_2 - \delta_0)}}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{\text{Im}A_2}{\text{Re}A_2} - \frac{\text{Im}A_0}{\text{Re}A_0} \right)$
where $\omega = \text{Re}A_2/\text{Re}A_0$ and δ_I are strong scattering phase shifts.
- ϵ' is highly sensitive to BSM sources of CPV.
- Strong interactions very important – origin ([arXiv:1212.1474]) of the so-called $\Delta I = 1/2$ rule: preference to decay to $I = 0$ final state.
- Lattice QCD is the only known technique for accurately studying strong dynamics in the hadronic regime.

Brief Interlude: Lattice Methods

- Discretize QCD Lagrangian in Euclidean space on finite volume.
- Integrate fermions out of path integral:

$$Z = \int dU \det(D[U]) \exp(-S_g[U])$$

- U are gauge links: $U_\mu = e^{iaA_\mu^a T^a} \in \text{SU}(3)$
- Sample configurations of links from probability distribution Z using Monte Carlo methods.

Lattice Measurements

- Measure amplitudes on each link configuration and average.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int d^3\vec{x} \langle 0 | \bar{d}(x) \gamma^5 u(x) \bar{u}(0) \gamma^5 d(0) | 0 \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \int d^3\vec{x} \text{tr} (\gamma^5 D_d^{-1}(0, x) [U_i] \gamma^5 D_u^{-1}(x, 0) [U_i]) \\ &= a_0 e^{-m_\pi x_4} + a_1 e^{-E_1 x_4} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

- Ground state of system extracted in limit of large time separation.
- Excited state with energy E_i ($i > 0$) requires multi-exponential fits to time dependence – typically very noisy and should be avoided if possible!

Lattice Techniques for $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ Calculation

- $M_W \ll$ hadronic scale (1 GeV): use Weak effective theory
- $\Delta S = 1$ effective operator: CPV : $\tau = -V_{ts}^* V_{td} / (V_{ud} V_{us}^*)$

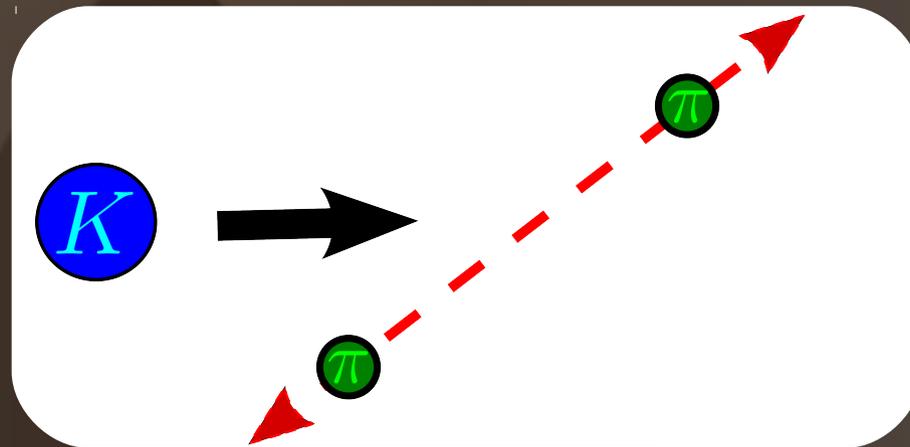
$$H_W^{\text{eff}} = \frac{G_F}{\sqrt{2}} V_{us}^* V_{ud} \sum_{i=1}^{10} [z_i(\mu) + \tau y_i(\mu)] Q_i(\mu)$$

Wilson coefficients y_i and z_i calculated in perturbative regime.

- On lattice use low-energy operator: $\langle \pi\pi | Q_i | K \rangle$
- Non-perturbatively renormalize at high energy scale μ

Finite-Volume Effects

- Lattice has finite size $\sim (3 \text{ fm})^3$: finite-volume effects play large role: allowed energy states discretized. State normalization differs. Continuous pion FSI.
- Finite-volume lattice decay amplitudes are related to those in the infinite-volume by the "Lellouch-Lüscher" formula.
- This requires physical kinematics - $E_{\pi\pi} = m_K$
- $m_\pi = 135 \text{ MeV}$ and $m_K = 500 \text{ MeV}$: need moving pions



- However ground state (easiest and cleanest state to isolate on lattice) comprises stationary pions. How can we solve this?

Workaround for $\Delta I = 3/2$ calculation

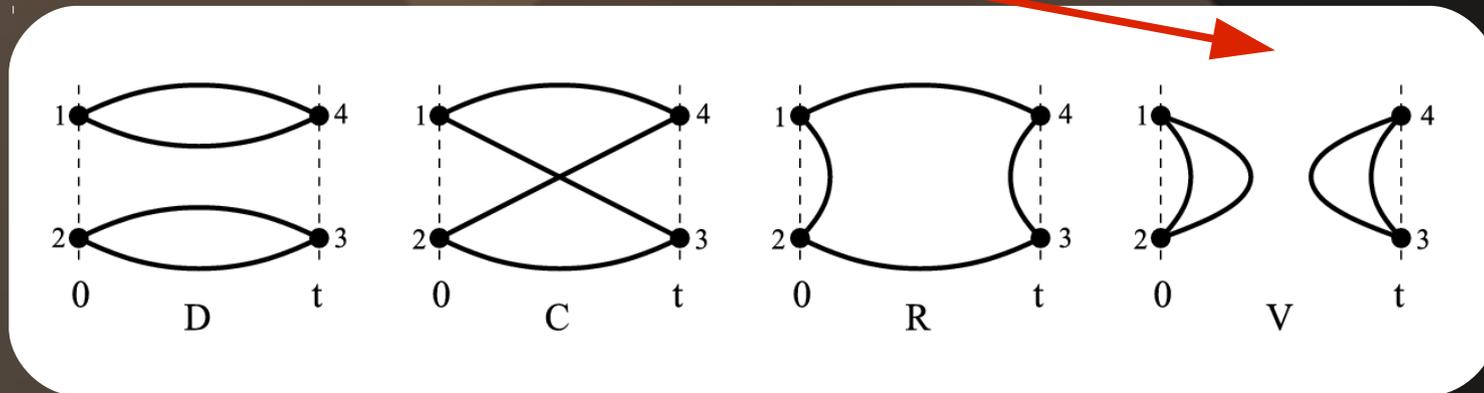
- On the lattice we have the freedom to choose boundary conditions imposed when calculating quark propagators.
- Typically use periodic BCs: $\psi(x + L) = \psi(x) \Rightarrow p = 2\pi n/L$
- Applying antiperiodic BCs on just d-quark prop:
$$d(x + L) = -d(x) \Rightarrow p_d = (2n + 1)\pi/L$$
- Charged pion $(u\bar{d})(x + L) = -(u\bar{d})(x)$: ground state $p_{\pi^\pm} = \pm\pi/L$
- Problem: we need $\pi^+\pi^0$ but $(d\bar{d})(x + L) = +(d\bar{d})(x)$
i.e. periodic BCs with minimum momentum 0. However...
- Wigner-Eckart theorem (in SU(2) isospin):
$$\langle (\pi^+\pi^0)_{I=2} | Q^{\Delta I_z=1/2} | K^+ \rangle = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \langle (\pi^+\pi^+)_{I=2} | Q^{\Delta I_z=3/2} | K^+ \rangle$$
- APBCs on d-quark break isospin symmetry allowing mixing between isospin states: however $\pi^+\pi^+$ is the only charge-2 state hence it cannot mix.

Results

- RBC & UKQCD recently published (arXiv:1111.1699) calculation of $\Delta I = 3/2$ decay using:
 - 2+1f domain wall fermions on a $32^3 \times 64 \times 32$ lattice with $a^{-1} = 1.37(1)$ GeV.
 - Near physical pions: $m_{\pi}^{PQ} \sim 140$ MeV, $m_{\pi}^{\text{uni}} \sim 170$ MeV
 - (Nearly) energy conserving decays: $p = \sqrt{2}\pi/L$ gave $E_{\pi\pi} = 486$ MeV vs. $m_K = 506$ MeV
- Determined
$$\text{Re}A_2 = [1.436(62)_{\text{stat}}(258)_{\text{sys}}] \times 10^{-8} \text{ GeV}$$
$$\text{Im}A_2 = -[6.83(51)_{\text{stat}}(1.30)_{\text{sys}}] \times 10^{-8} \text{ GeV}$$
- Large systematic error: 15% discretization error: continuum limit needed. 7% FV corrections, 6% renormalization and 8% from PT truncation of Wilson coeffs.
- New ensembles have since been generated which will substantially reduce systematics.

Computational challenges of $\Delta I = 1/2$ calculation

- Measuring A_0 is considerably more challenging.
- Measure both $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$.
- $\pi\pi$ state has vacuum quantum numbers, hence there are disconnected diagrams:



- Need large statistics and many source positions but with modern hardware (e.g. IBM BlueGene/Q machines codeveloped with members of RBC/UKQCD) we can now perform such calculations with large enough physical volumes.

Obtaining physical kinematics in the $\Delta I = 1/2$ calculation

- Must measure $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$ and $K^0 \rightarrow \pi^0 \pi^0$
- Wigner-Eckart trick cannot be used for $I = 0$ final state
- If we stay with APBC on d-quarks, isospin-breaking would allow mixing between $I = 0$ and $I = 2$ final states.
- Require moving π^0 , but momentum cancels in $d\bar{d}$
- Need to apply BCs that commute with isospin and produce moving π^0 as well as π^+ and π^- .
- G-parity boundary conditions satisfy these criteria.

G-Parity Boundary Conditions

- G-parity is a charge conjugation followed by a 180 degree isospin rotation about the y-axis:

$$\hat{G} = \hat{C}e^{i\pi\hat{I}_y} \quad : \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{G}|\pi^\pm\rangle &= -|\pi^\pm\rangle \\ \hat{G}|\pi^0\rangle &= -|\pi^0\rangle \end{aligned}$$

- Pions are all eigenstates with e-val -1, hence G-parity BCs make pion wavefunctions antiperiodic, with minimum momentum π/L .

Kim, arXiv:hep-lat/0311003
(2003)

- G-parity commutes with isospin.

Wiese, Nucl.Phys.B375, (1992)

- At the quark level:

$$\hat{G} \begin{pmatrix} u \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -C\bar{d}^T \\ C\bar{u}^T \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where } C = \gamma^2\gamma^4. \quad \text{in our conventions}$$

- Requires extensive code modifications to treat two flavours that mix at the boundary.

Gauge Field Boundary Conditions

- Dirac operator for $C\bar{u}^T$ field involves conjugate links U^* .
- As this field transitions seamlessly to the d -field at the boundary, the links must also transition from U to U^* , i.e. links obey complex conjugate BCs (equiv to charge conjugation BCs).

- Boundary link gauge transformation is unusual:

$$U_\mu(L-1) \rightarrow V^\dagger(L-1)U_\mu(L-1)V^*(0)$$

- Necessitates generation of new ensemble of gauge links satisfying these BCs.

(Note: for other choices of BC, e.g. APBC, new ensembles would still need to be generated, but due to presence of disconnected diagrams)

Unusual Contractions

- Flavor mixing at boundary allows contraction of up and down fields:

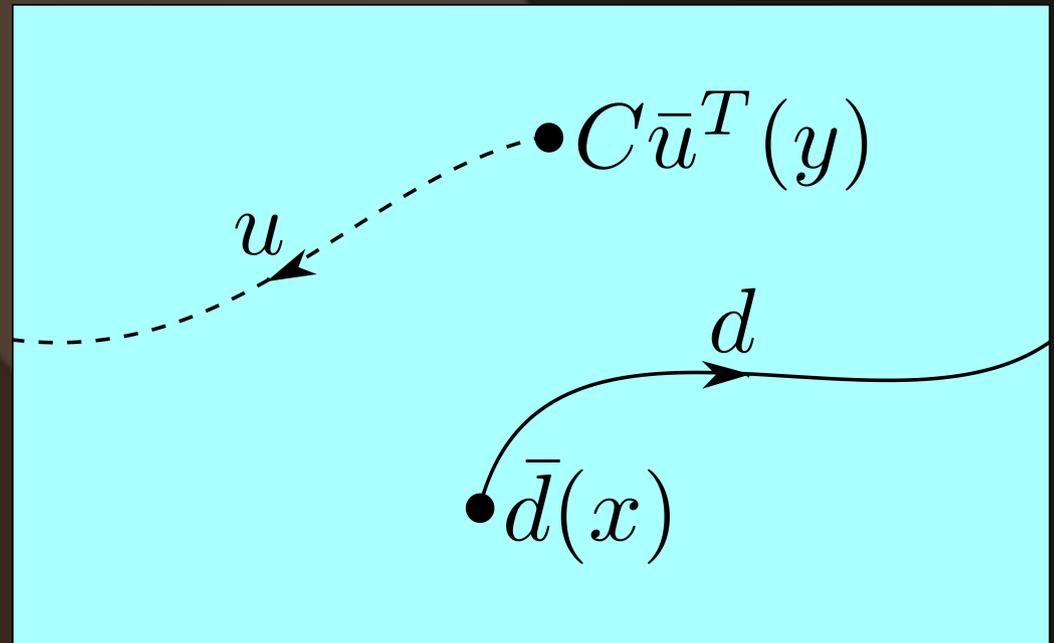
$$\mathcal{G}_{y,x}^{(2,1)} = C \overline{u}_y^T \overline{d}_x,$$

$$\mathcal{G}_{x,y}^{(1,2)} = -\overline{d}_x u_y^T C^T$$

- Interpret as boundary creating/destroying flavor (violating baryon number)
- More Wick contractions to evaluate.
- Some states mix at the boundary, e.g.

$$uud \leftrightarrow \overline{d}\overline{d}\overline{u}$$

hence the proton is not an eigenstate.



Kaons

- $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ calculation needs stationary K^0 .
- Need an eigenstate with e-val +1 for periodic BCs and hence $p_{\min} = 0$.
- $K^0 = \bar{s}d$ is not a G-parity eigenstate: $\bar{s}d \leftrightarrow \bar{s}\bar{u}$
- Introduce 'strange isospin' (I'): s-quark in doublet $\begin{pmatrix} s' \\ s \end{pmatrix}$
- Can now form an eigenstate:
$$K_0^g = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(\bar{s}d + \bar{u}s') = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(K_0 + K'_0)$$
with e-val +1.
- Unphysical partner K'_0 mixes with physical state K_0 . For a physical operator, e.g. $A_\mu = \bar{s}\gamma^5\gamma^\mu d$, K'_0 only contributes after propagating through the boundary: suppressed like $e^{-m_K L}$, a sub-% effect.
- Up to these effects, only change is a normalization factor.

Locality

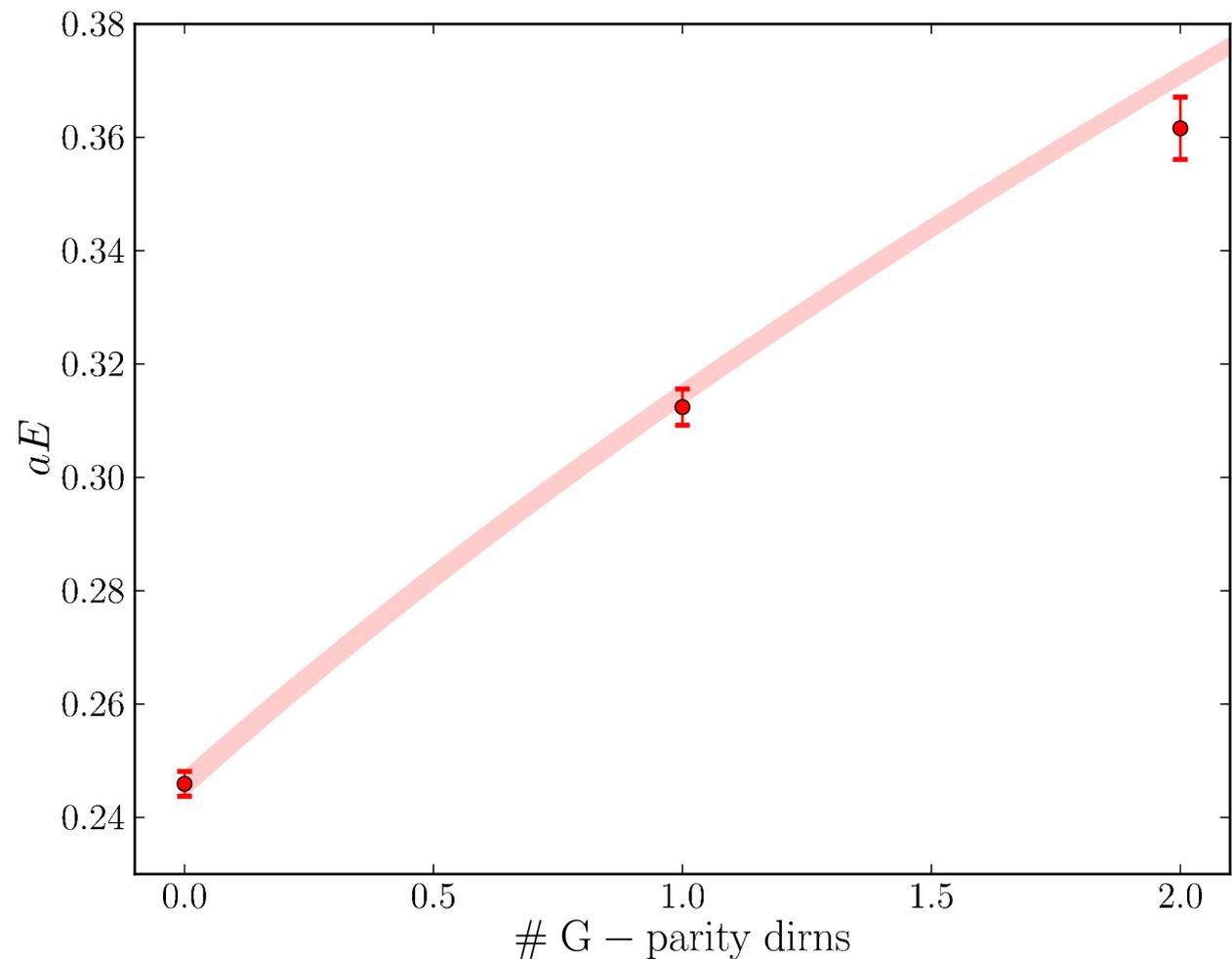
- Theory has one too many flavors. Must take square-root of s'/s determinant in evolution to revert to 3 flavors.
- Determinant becomes non-local, violating a necessary condition for formal analytic continuation of Euclidean results to Minkowski (Osterwalder-Schrader theorem).
- Non-locality is however only a boundary effect that vanishes as $L \rightarrow \infty$. With sufficiently large volumes the effect should be benign.
- Estimate size of effect : Staggered ChPT?

Results: Pion Dispersion Relation

- Generated $16^3 \times 32$ fully dynamical test ensembles with G-parity BCs in 0,1,2 directions.

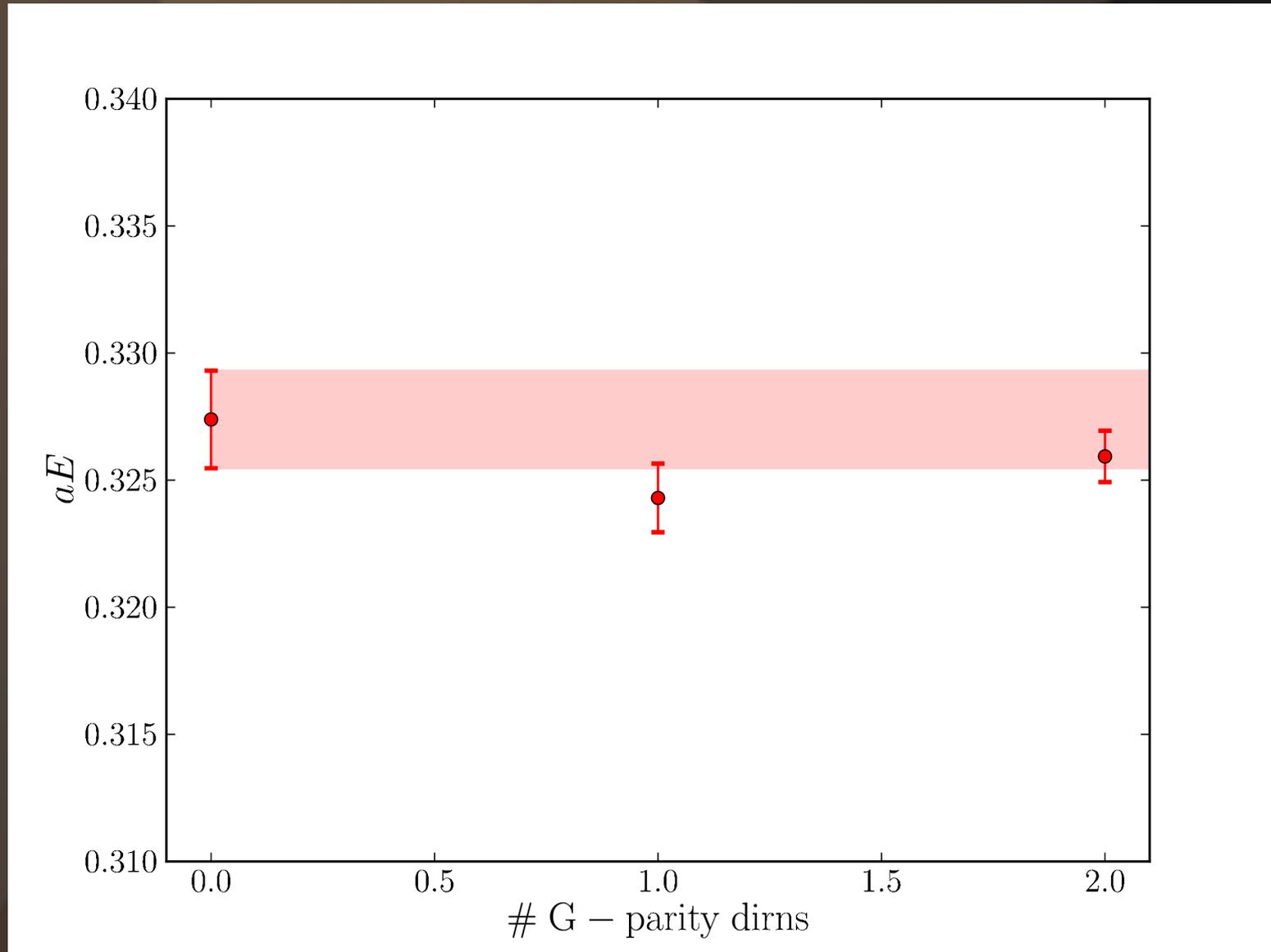
$$a^{-1} = 1.73(3) \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_\pi \sim 420 \text{ MeV}$$



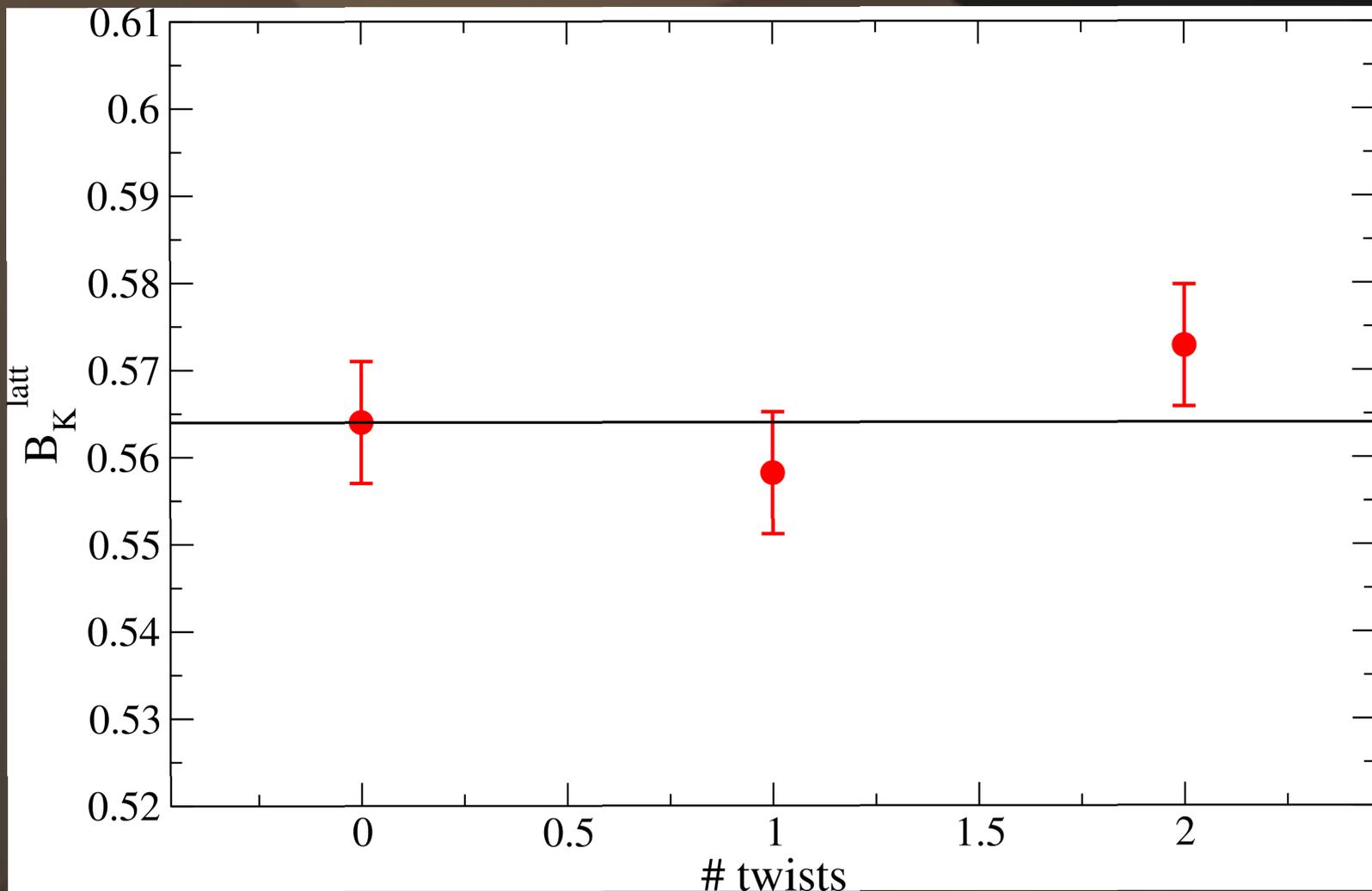
Results: Kaon Dispersion Relation

- Stationary kaon states demonstrated:



Results: B_K

- $\bar{K}^0 \leftrightarrow K^0$ mixing amplitude shown to be independent as expected. These 4-quark effective vertices are similar to those used in $K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ calculation, hence this is a valuable demonstration.



Ensemble for physical $K \rightarrow (\pi\pi)_{I=0}$ calculation

- Evolution code (CPS+BFM) for Mobius DW and Iwasaki+DSDR gauge action with G-parity BCs is now complete.
- Generation of $32^3 \times 64 \times 16$ configurations has been underway for over a month on the USQCD BGQ half-rack at BNL. Will soon have enough thermalized configurations to begin testing.
- Parameters are the same as the ensemble used for the $\Delta I = 3/2$ calculation: $\beta = 1.75$ ($a^{-1} = 1.37(1)$ GeV) and $m_\pi = 143(1)$ MeV (PQ), $171(1)$ MeV (unitary)
- Mobius parameters tuned to match to regular DWF, allows factor of 2 reduction in Ls for same physics.
- Dirac matrix is intrinsically 2-flavor, hence $\det(M^\dagger M)$ contains 4 flavors: must use RHMC even for light quarks.
- RHMC cost overhead (no chronological inverter) makes using multiple Hasenbusch steps more expensive. Ensemble is more difficult to tune.

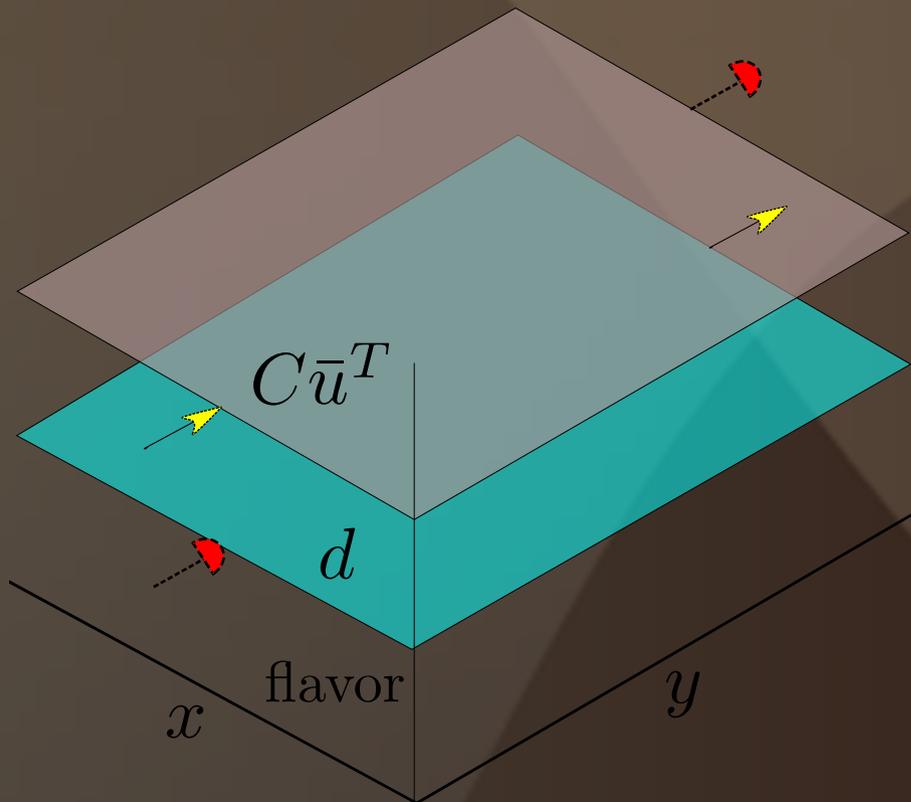
Status and Outlook

- More precise measurements of $\Delta I = 3/2$ amplitude will soon be completed.
- Substantial progress has been made in the march towards calculating the $\Delta I = 1/2$ amplitude.
- Further investigation of systematic errors associated with G-parity technique is required. However all tests to date have not indicated any sicknesses with the approach.
- Work still to be done in deciding best technique for measuring disconnected diagrams in the more complex environment of the calculation with G-parity.
- G-parity techniques may be useful for controlling errors in other frontier calculations performed by RBC & UKQCD, e.g. $K_L - K_S$ mass difference.



Extra Slides

Layout of the Problem



- Two fermion fields on each site indexed by flavor index:

$$\psi^{(1)}(x) = d(x), \quad \psi^{(2)}(x) = C\bar{u}^T(x)$$

- BCs are:

$$\begin{aligned} \psi^{(1)}(x + L\hat{y}) &= \psi^{(2)}(x), \\ \psi^{(2)}(x + L\hat{y}) &= -\psi^{(1)}(x), \end{aligned}$$

- Periodic BCs in other dirs.
- Single U-field shared by both flavors, with complex conj BCs.
- Dirac op for $\psi^{(2)}$ uses U_μ^* .

Exploiting the Gauge-Field Symmetry

- Quark fields interact with the same gauge fields. Suggests propagators are related in some way.
- In fact, we find that:

$$\mathcal{G}_{x,z}^{(2,2)} = -\gamma^5 C \left[\mathcal{G}_{x,z}^{(1,1)} \right]^* C \gamma^5$$

$$\mathcal{G}_{x,z}^{(1,2)} = +\gamma^5 C \left[\mathcal{G}_{x,z}^{(2,1)} \right]^* C \gamma^5$$
- Relative sign due to – sign at boundary between u and d.
- Can be rewritten $\mathcal{G}_{x,z} = \gamma^5 C \sigma_1 \sigma_3 [\mathcal{G}_{x,z}]^* \sigma_3 \sigma_1 C^\dagger \gamma^5$ where are 2x2 flavour (also spin/colour) matrices.
- Substantially simplifies contractions: form is often identical to standard form up to additional flavour matrices: e.g.

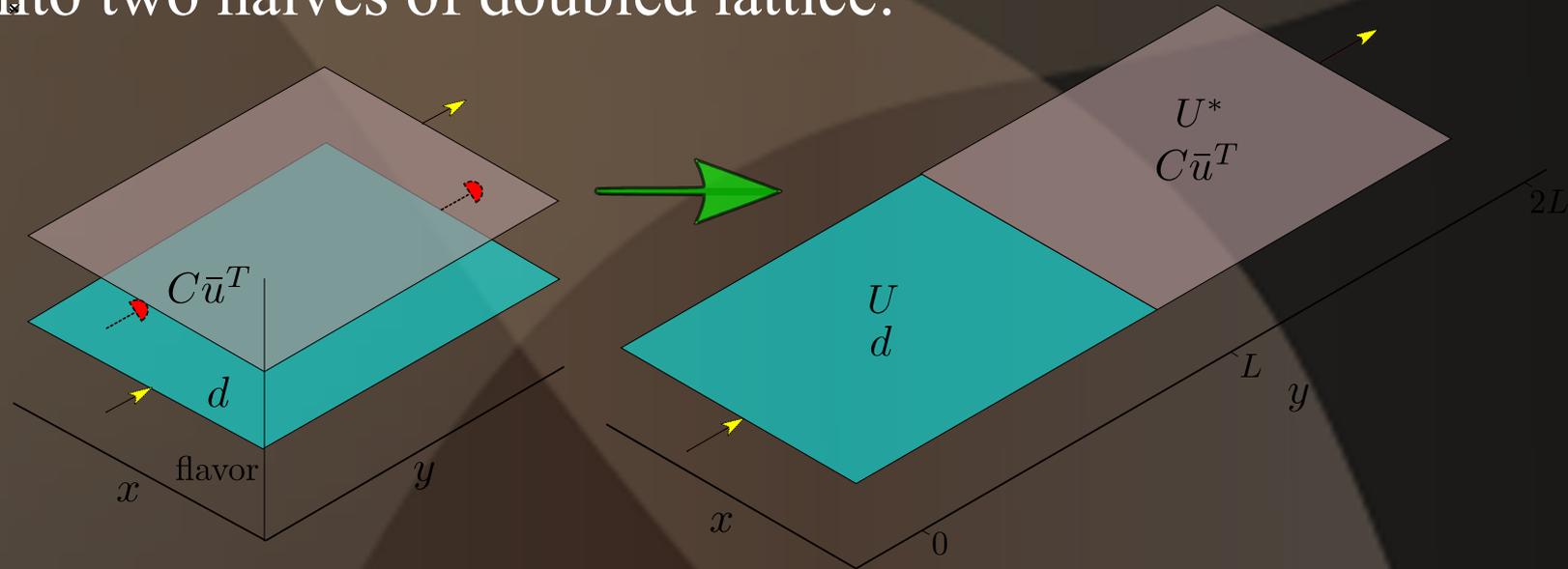
$$\langle \pi(x) | \pi(y) \rangle = \text{tr } F_1 \mathcal{G}_{x,y} \sigma_3 \mathcal{G}_{x,y}^\dagger \quad (\text{in large time limit})$$

$$F_1 = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \sigma_3)$$

$$\text{Usually } \text{tr } \mathcal{G}_{x,y} \mathcal{G}_{x,y}^\dagger$$

The One-Flavor Method

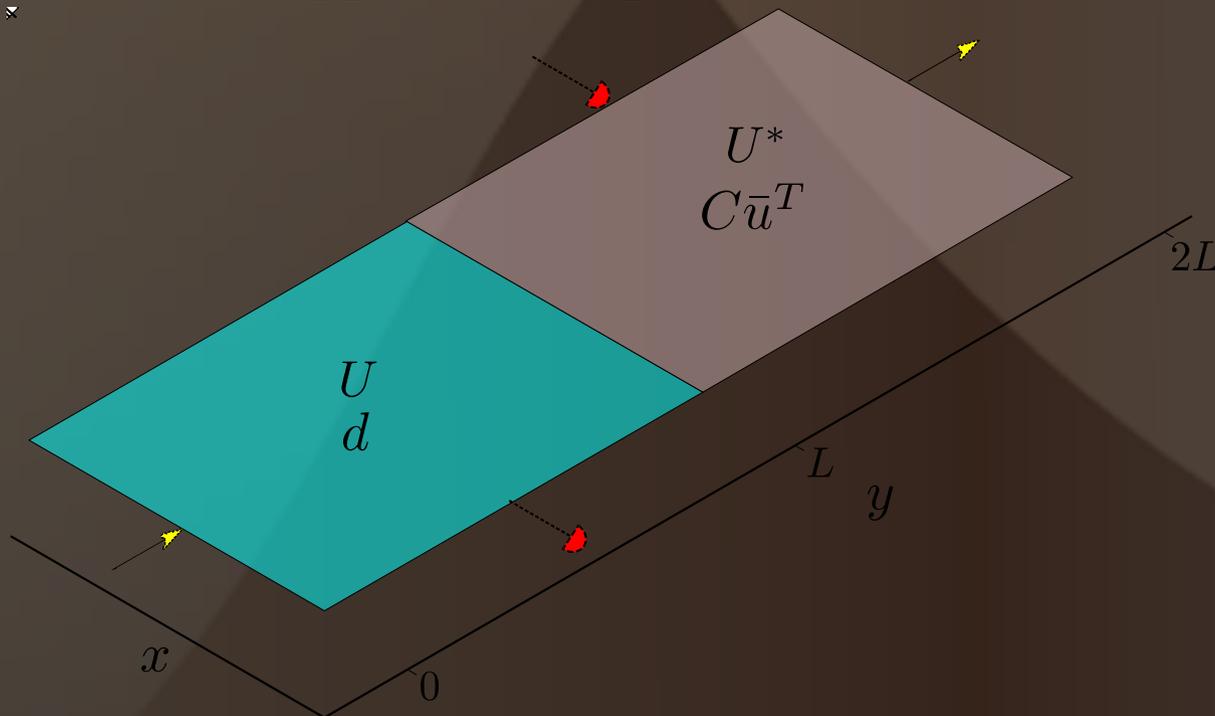
- Obtain equivalent formulation by unwrapping flavor indices onto two halves of doubled lattice:



- Antiperiodic boundary conditions in G-parity direction.
- U -field on first half and U^* -field on second half.

Choosing an Approach

- One flavor setup is much easier to implement.
- However recall that we needed APBC in 2 directions for physical kinematics in $\Delta I = 3/2$ calculation.
- G-parity in >1 dir using one-flavor method requires doubling the lattice again, which is highly inefficient.
- A second approach requires non-nearest neighbour communication:



- Also inefficient depending on machine architecture.
- Choose to implement two-flavor method.

$K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ *Decays on the Lattice*

- Energies are discretized in finite-volume.
- For two non-interacting pions $E_{\pi\pi} = 2\sqrt{m_\pi^2 + k_\pi^2}$, where components of k_π discretized in units of $2\pi/L$, assuming periodic BCs.
- Interactions shift the allowed energies such that k_π are not known a priori and must be measured.
- Allowed k_π are quantized by Luscher condition $\delta(k_\pi) + \phi(k_\pi) = n\pi$, hence we can determine the scattering phase shifts $\delta(k_\pi)$ once k_π is measured.
- Switching on effective weak interaction H_W , allowed energies are further modified:

$$k - k_\pi = \Delta k = \pm \frac{m_K}{4k_\pi} |M| + O(|M|^2)$$

- Note this uses degenerate PT, thus requires $E_{\pi\pi} = m_K$

$K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ *Decays on the Lattice*

- Switching on H_W induces corresponding change in infinite-volume scattering lengths:

$$\Delta\delta_0 = \mp \frac{k_\pi |A|^2}{32\pi m_K^2 |M|} + O(H_W^2)$$

- Imposing Lüscher factor allows us to combine equations for $\Delta\delta_0$ and Δk , giving the Lellouch-Lüscher formula:

$$|A|^2 = 8\pi \left\{ q \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial q} + k \frac{\partial\delta_0}{\partial k} \right\}_{k=k_\pi} \left(\frac{m_K}{k_\pi} \right)^3 |M|^2$$

where $q = kL/2\pi$

- As ϕ is analytic, only unknown is $\partial\delta_0/\partial k$. We measure this from the phenomenological curve at the measured k_π .

$K \rightarrow \pi\pi$ *Decays on the Lattice*

- Infinite-volume S-matrix $\langle \pi\pi | \mathcal{L}_W | K \rangle = A e^{i\delta_0}$
final state scattering induces dependence on s-wave scattering length δ_0 .
- Finite-volume matrix element: $M = \langle \pi\pi | H_W | K \rangle$
where H_W is effective weak vertex.
- Using degenerate PT (requires $E_{\pi\pi} = m_K$), weak effective theory and Luscher's quantization condition

$$\delta(k_\pi) + \phi(k_\pi) = n\pi \qquad E_{\pi\pi} = 2\sqrt{m_\pi^2 + k_\pi^2}$$

one obtains the Lellouch-Luscher formula relating them:

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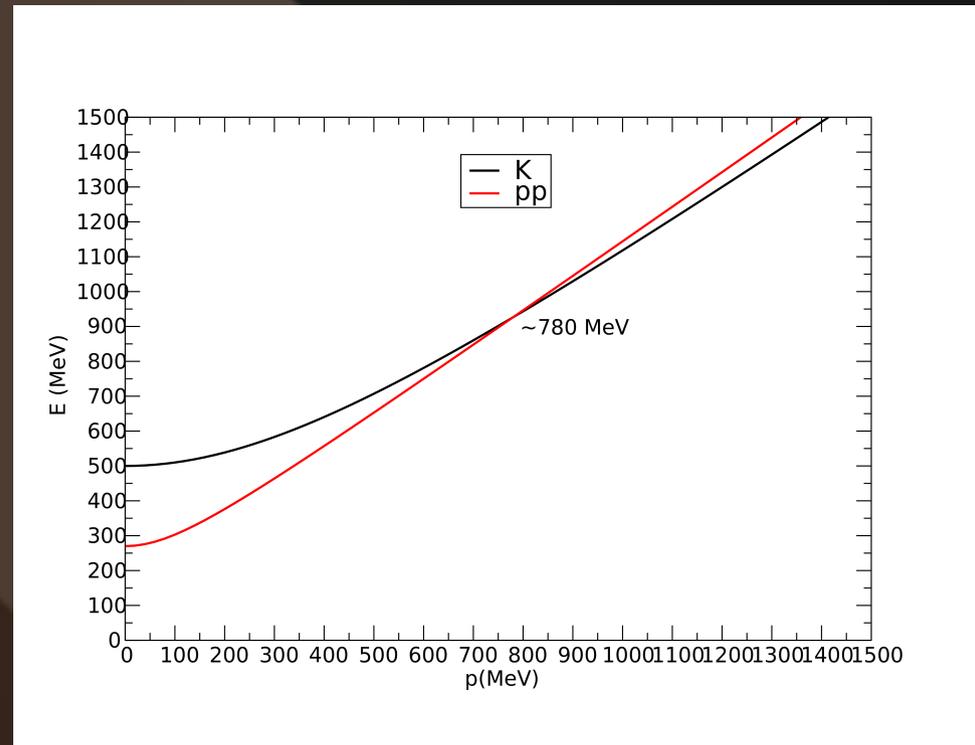
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Moving kaon?

- One possibility is to consider a moving kaon $K(p_K)$ decaying to $\pi(p_\pi)\pi(0)$. Need

$$\sqrt{m_K^2 + p_K^2} \approx \sqrt{m_\pi^2 + p_\pi^2} + m_\pi$$

- ~780 MeV energy required.
- SNR decreases exponentially in the energy difference between the state energy and the pion mass: this will be too noisy.



Physical kinematics and moving pions

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- This requires physical kinematics - $E_{\pi\pi} = m_K$
- $m_\pi = 135 \text{ MeV}$ and $m_K = 500 \text{ MeV}$: need moving pions
- However ground state comprises stationary pions.
- Could attempt to tune L such that first excited state energy matches kaon mass.
- This will be extremely noisy, and, especially when there are disconnected diagrams, it is highly unlikely that a decent signal could be extracted.

Force Histogram

- Example force histogram produced during evolution tuning

